



Indiana Gains National Attention **Good News for Hoosier Business**

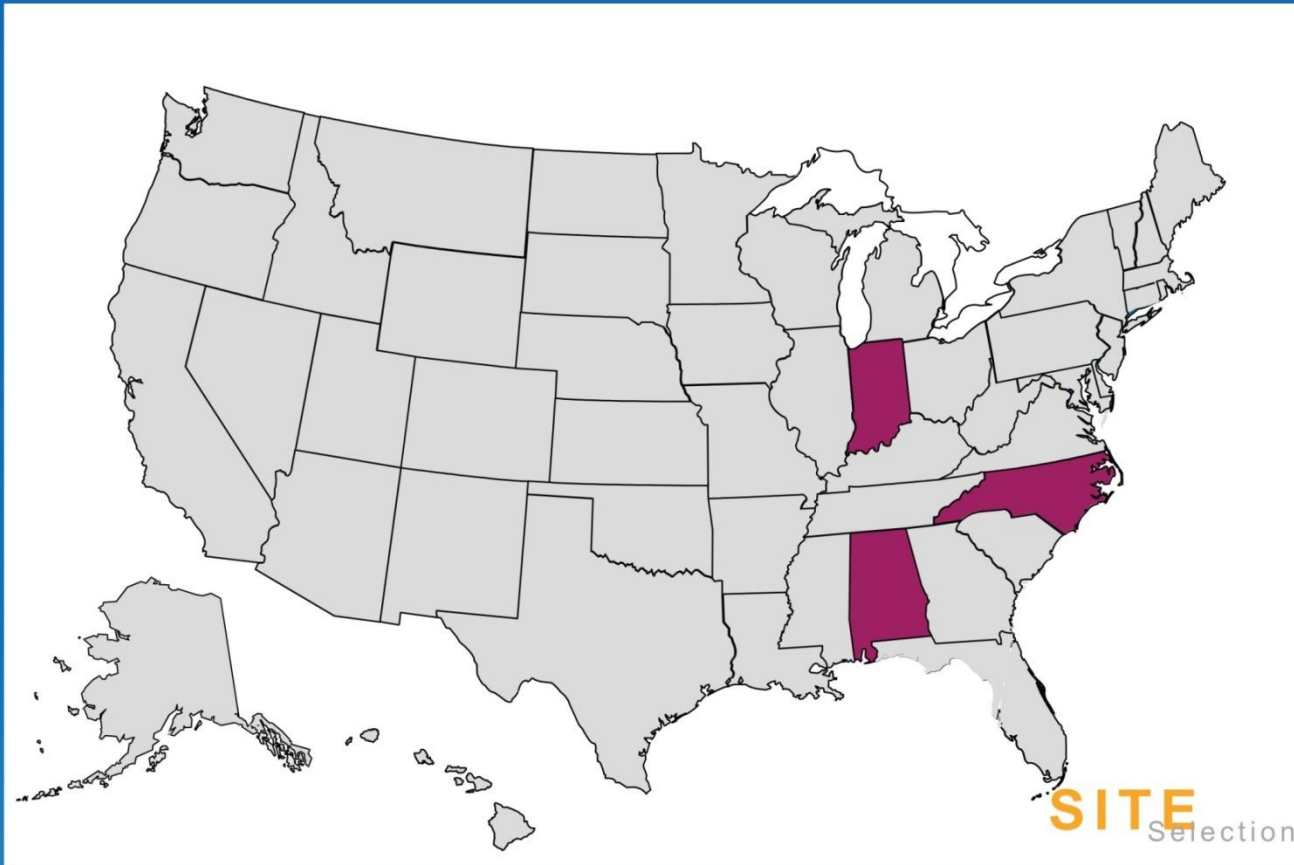
Indiana is moving forward thanks to hard working Hoosiers all across the state. Indiana is receiving national recognition for our strong economy, built during the past few years. Hoosiers have a lot to be proud of, and together we can keep the momentum going. Continue to see who has taken notice of Indiana.





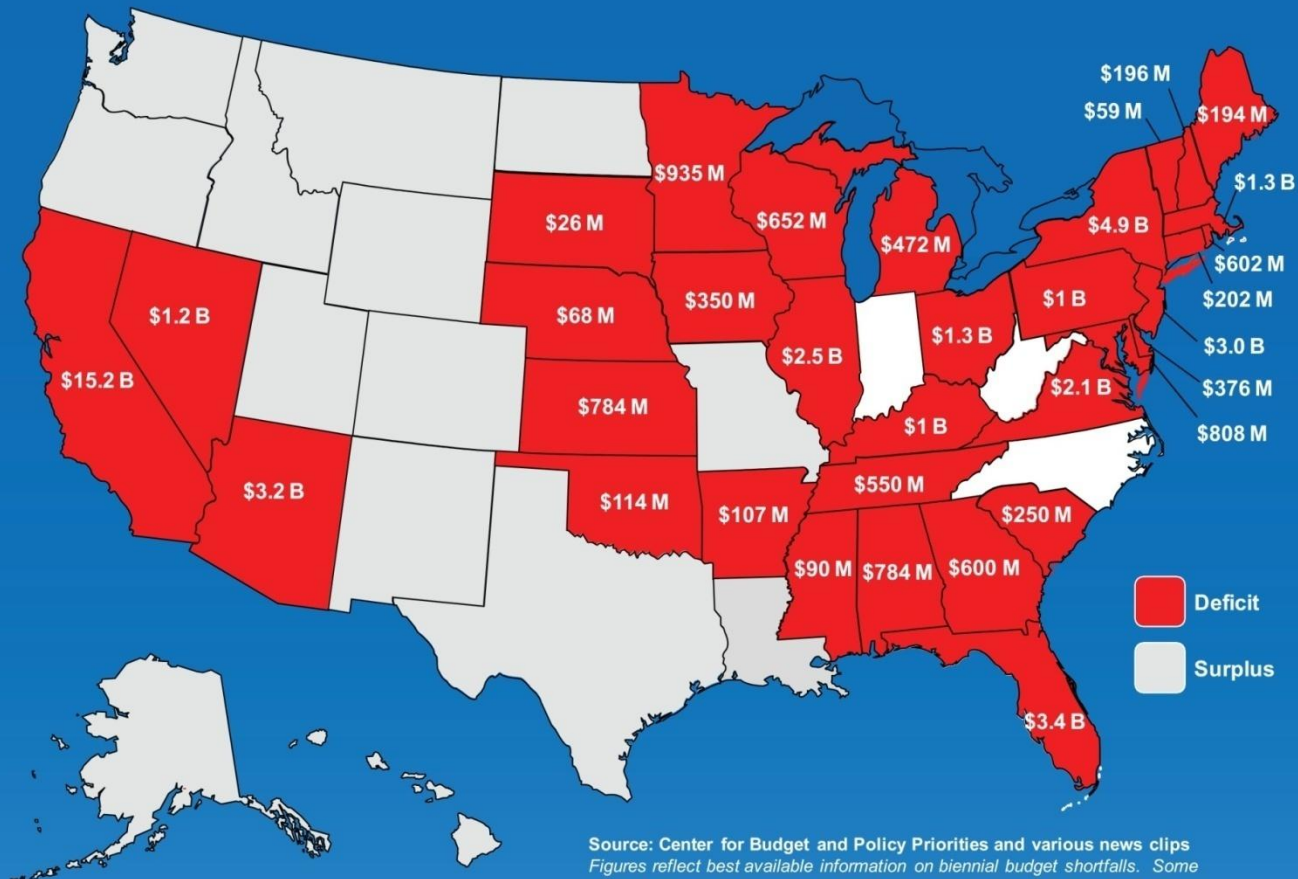
National Leader in Attracting Jobs and Investment

✓ Site Selection Magazine's Competitiveness Awards 2006





Projected FY 2008-2009 State Budget Shortfalls



Source: Center for Budget and Policy Priorities and various news clips
Figures reflect best available information on biennial budget shortfalls. Some states have adopted new or revised budgets that address these shortfalls.

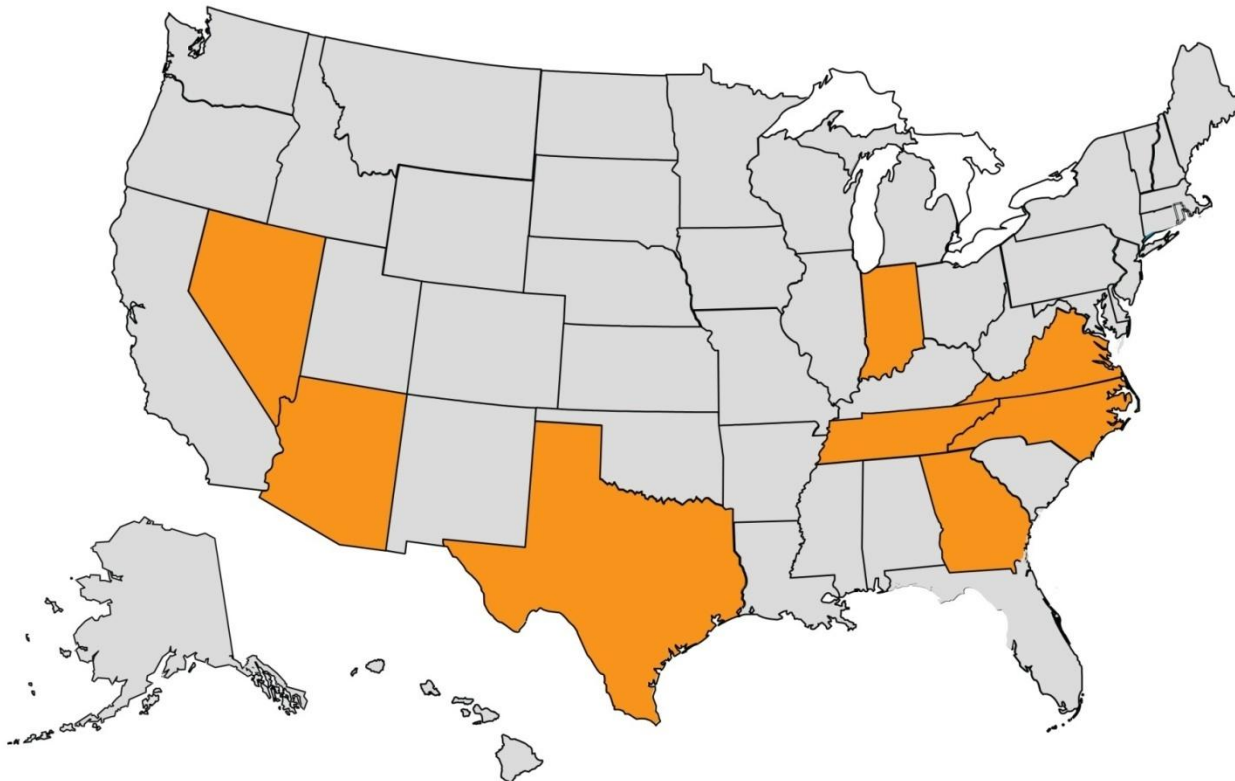


Indiana Named One Of Best States To Do Business

✓ Survey of 605 top CEOs – CEO Magazine (Jan. 2008)

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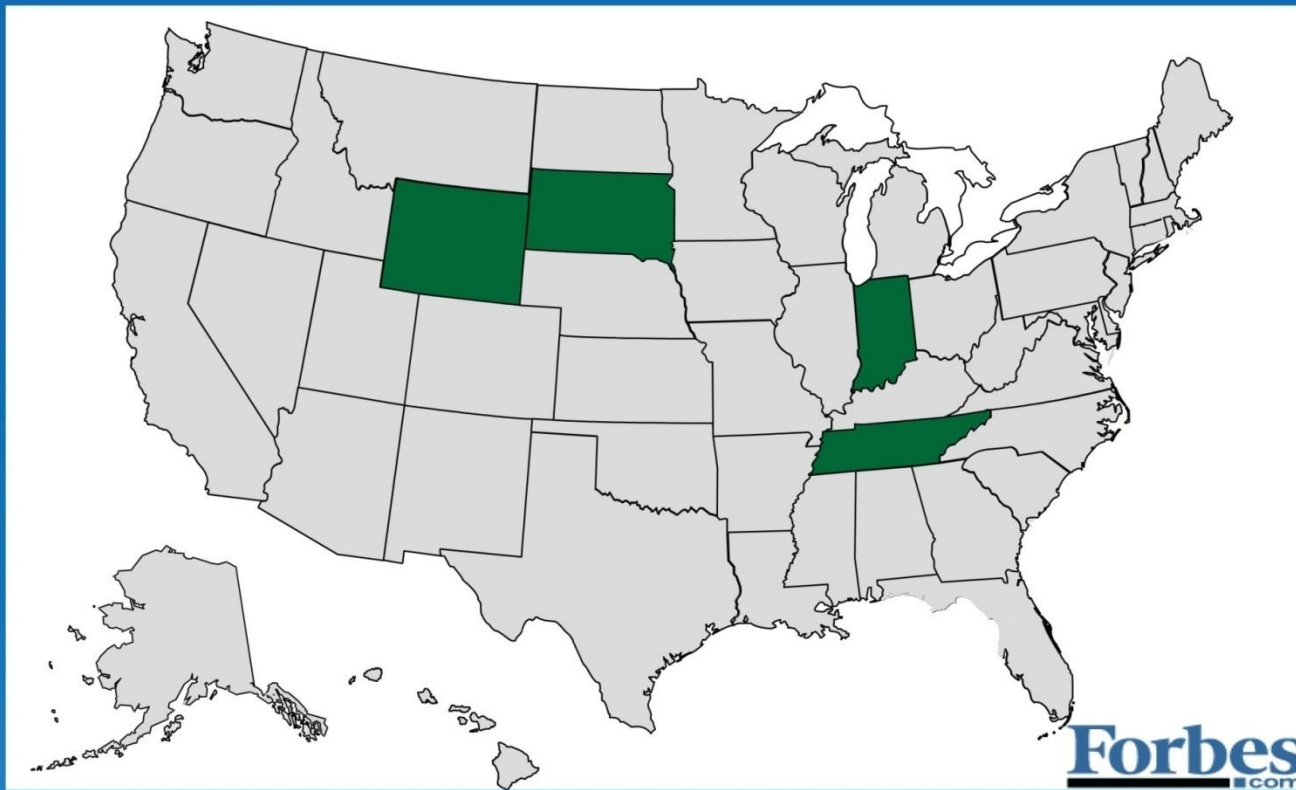
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Cost of Doing Business

✓ Forbes Best States for Business Index 2007





State earns S&P's top credit score for 1st time

Rating should save taxpayers
millions in interest on bonds

By Jeff Schwartz

Indiana has earned the highest credit rating from Standard & Poor's for the first time, an achievement that should save the state and its public school systems millions of dollars a year in interest on bonds.

The upgrade to an AAA rating by S&P, a move held by only one other state, was announced Monday by the governor's office. The new rating should pay an estimated \$10 million a year in interest savings, according to the office.

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in Star Gazette, Page A-1

HOW MUCH WILL WE SAVE?

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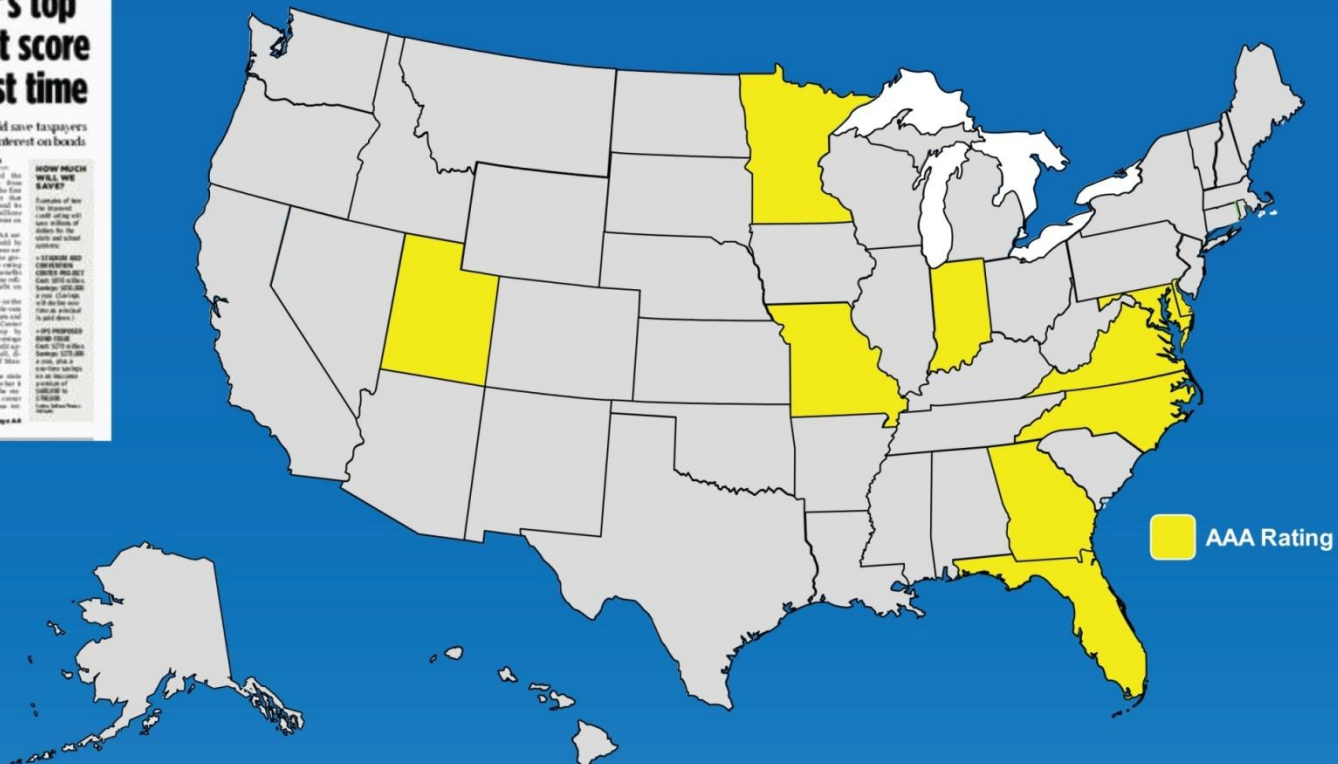
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Standard and Poor's AAA Credit Rating



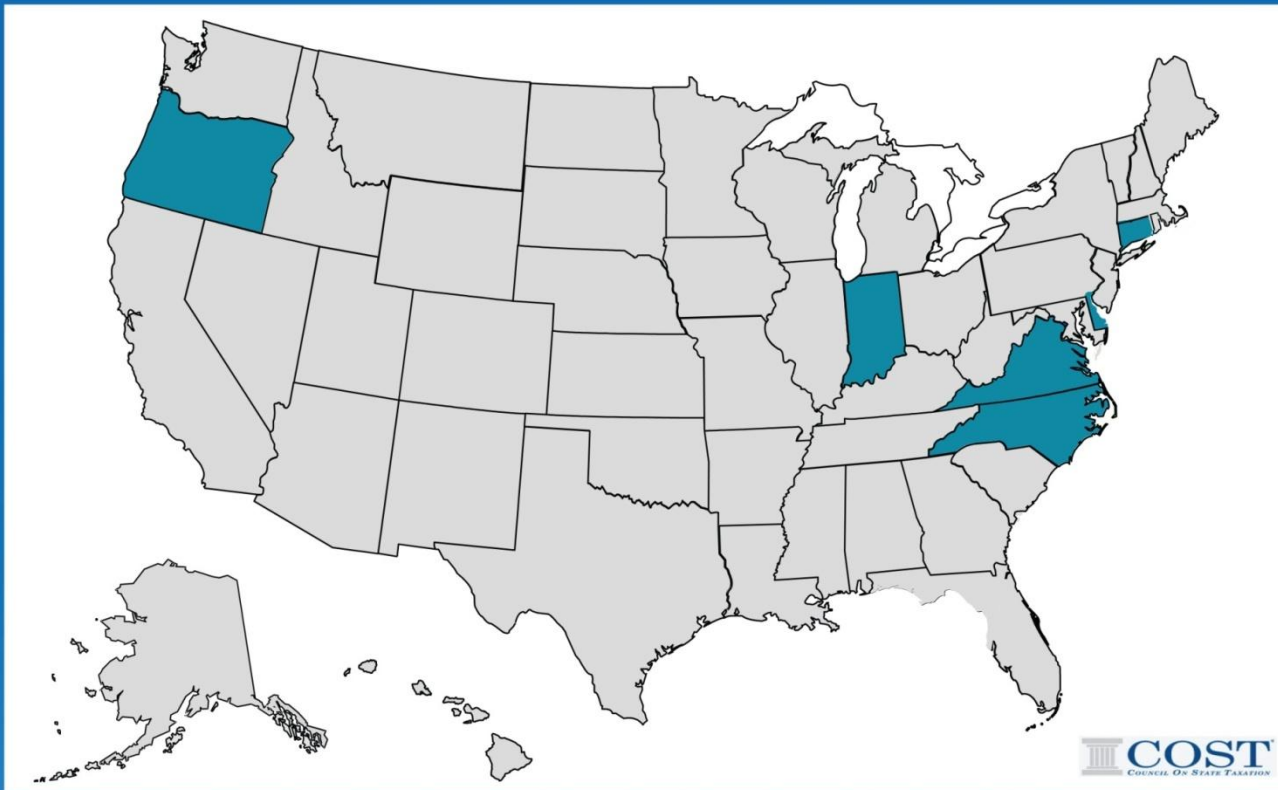
Source: Standard and Poor's and The Indianapolis Star 7/22/08 Page A1

✓ Indiana Leads the Midwest in Competitiveness (2007)



Top Tax Climate

✓ Council on State Taxation FY2007 Business Tax Climate





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